GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL AND MINES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1307
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DAMAGE OF P & H SHOVEL MACHINE OF NCL SINGRAULI
BALIRAM

Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the P&H shovel machine in Jayant Project of Northern Coalfield Limited Singrauli which costs Rs. 8 crore was completely damaged due to falling of O.V. in August 2001 and has not yet been made functional;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the amount spent in the repairing of the said machine;

(d) the impact of the damage of the shovel machine on the production as on date;

(e) whether the target of OB fixed by the Jayant Project has been completed; and

(f) if not, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL & MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a) & (b): It is not a fact that the P&H shovel of Jayant Project was completely damaged due to slide of OB. On 25th August, 2001, an incident of sudden slide of O.B. occurred, when the P&H shovel No. 8 was working near a hillock which had hidden crack (which could not be noticed during regular mine inspection). The shovel was partially damaged, and was taken out for repair / recommissioning on the 3rd day of the incident. The present cost of shovel of this model is around Rs. 16 crores. The repair work on the shovel is in progress.

(c): The repair work has been awarded on M/s Voltas Limited, the Indian representative of original equipment manufacturer (OEM) at a cost of Rs. 20.8 lakhs for repair and fitment of Operator Cabin, Machine House, Planum Chamber Assembly, Right Hand Counter Weight Box, Hatch Cover, Center Box etc. The spares required for recommissioning of the shovel has been ordered on OEM for Rs. 26810664.00 (inclusive of duties).

(d): The inferred impact on the OB production due to non availability of this shovel, from the date of accident upto 30.06.2002 is approximately 0.627 million cubic metre.

(e) & (f): The O.B. production target for the year 2001- 02 for Jayant Project was 28.50 million cubic metres. The actual O.B. production achieved is 27.6 million cubic meters.